

MARY MAGDALENE STANDING AT
THE RIFLED TOMB.

of the thing that helped Joseph Wedgwood, selling and the heat and the heat of the potteries, until he could make for himself Charlotte the first royal warrant of English manufacture. That was the best James Watt, scoffed at the steam engine, but he could put on the thunderbolt of power which came day and night in every furnace of the locomotive engines of America. That is what helped Hugh Miller, tolling and the quarries of Cromarty, until the story book became to him a volume of the world's biography and he found the words of the Creator in the red rocks. What, then, does he want a Christ for the office? Christ for the kitchen? Christ for the shop? Christ for the

Charles V. of Spain with his servants and torches went down into the vault of the necropolis where his ancestors were buried, and went deeper, farther on until he came to a cross around which were arranged the caskets of his ancestors. He also found a casket containing the body of one of his own family. He had the casket opened, and there by the embalmer's art he found that the body was as perfect as 18 years before when it was entombed. But under the exploration his body and mind perished. Oh, my friends, do not let us morbidly struggle with the shadows of the sepulcher. What are we to do? Wait. It is not the evening twilight that gets darker

Wardell came round and patiently waited for the coin to come round again to where he was standing, but no half crown appeared. The seconds lengthened into minutes—still no half crown!

"Strange!" he exclaimed. "What can be the meaning of it?"

In order to ascertain the cause of the strange phenomenon, he walked round to the other side of the lamp, and in doing so encountered one of the lighthouse men, who touched his hat and said: "Thank you, sir, in an undertone."

The man, seeing the coin coming towards him, had pocketed it, thinking it was meant for a tip.

Not Alive.
Teller (wrathfully)—That fellow Pett
is too mean to live!
Grimshaw—He does not. He reside
with his wife's mother.

"And he was a flame of hers?"
 "Until her father put him out, yes."

Trimming the Eyelashes.

Cutting the eyelashes to make them grow may be successful, but in most cases it is not. The practice should be discouraged, as in some cases eyelashes which have been cut never grow out fully. Besides, even when they do they are frequently like bristles and rough, and therefore unsightly.

THE MAIL.

THURSDAY, APRIL 22, 1897.

STILL AT IT.

The Nor-Wester does not appear to be disposed to let up on this Manitoba school question until some serious wrong is done the people. In its issue of Wednesday after quoting the Tablet, a Roman Catholic paper, the organ says: Since Mr. Laurier's government cannot exist if the support of the French Liberals be withdrawn from it, it will be expedient as well as just for him to insist on a further measure of relief to the Manitoba minority.

There are some Conservatives who say the late Greenway-Laurier settlement gave the Catholics more than Tipper's remedial bill, which satisfied the Catholics, proposed to give, and now the Nor-Wester says it will be "expedient, as well as just," to go even further.

The plain fact is that Laurier & Co. made a mistake in conferring with the Pope in any way, shape or manner; but having made the one they must not make the second in endeavoring to correct the results of the first. It is quite possible the ablegate who has no more business here than the Queen of England has on the throne of the Czar, may suggest further concessions to the Manitoba minority, and many of Laurier's supporters in the House from Quebec may be influenced by the Ablegate's recommendation, and vote against Laurier in the House; but even this will not upset the government if Laurier is only firm hereafter. So far he has done no administrative act in this controversy to incriminate him and if he only in the future refuses further interference he will be backed by as many Protestant Conservatives as he may lose of Liberal Roman Catholics.

It is a word it should now be the duty of all Dominion papers and public men who wish the country well to tell the Ablegate that if he wants to look further into the resources of this country as a private party he has a perfect right to remain as long as he likes, but if his idea is to engender public or political strife over this school question the best thing he can do is leave the country at once.

In so far as the late Manitoba modifications are concerned, the Dominion government are in no way responsible for them—the legislation is purely the work of the Manitoba legislature and if the people do not approve of the concessions they must hold the Greenway government and them alone for the enactments and their consequences.

The public generally are at a loss to know why the government at Ottawa are frittering away so much time doing nothing. The Conservatives, when in office, used often to say it was through the obstruction of the opposition they did not make better headway with the sessions than they did; but the records will have to be searched in vain for a parallel to the do-nothing drag of the present session. It cannot well be argued even that the opposition are obstructing for the reason that no measures of any importance have yet been brought down, though a month's time has been spent and a very heavy drain made on the resources of the country. Now that Mr. Laurier is in office, and apparently disposed to fight the Catholic church as it should be fought on political inference, The Mail is disposed to give him fair play; but it cannot condone such tardiness in the movement of public business. Governments as well as individuals must understand public that public business is not theirs to play with it as they like, it must be managed with despatch and as little cost to the country as possible.

Portage la Prairie, April 15.—A decided sensation was created to-day by the Review, the Conservative paper, coming out strongly against its former programme. It denounces the alliance between the Conservatives and Mr. McKenzie, speaks of Boyd's disreputable tactics, lectures the party generally on its demoralized condition and suggests that it would be better to support Dr. Rutherford in this contest. It appears that the Review is in financial difficulties. The manager, Shaughnessy, tried each party for support and it is said that the Liberals secured control of its issue this morning. The Conservatives are very angry over the matter. It is charged that a paragraph was inserted in Mr. McKenzie's address, not in the original, so Mr. McKenzie swore out a warrant for Shaughnessy, who was arrested, it is said, while he was attempting to leave town on a freight train. He was locked up and released on bail.

Outside of the interest of the mortgage in this paper, the Review is owned and run by J. M. Robinson, late of the Brandon Times, and who by the way is now the president of the Conservative Association of the constituency of Brandon.

Politics, or rather the arguments of politicians for partisan purposes, are strange things. The Nor-Wester in

attempting to boom the labor candidate in Winnipeg against Jameson, the Grit candidate, contends the Laurier government is unfair to the Canadian working man. It says that Laurier is in favor of imposing duties on coal and inimical to the working man. Under Conservative rule the protectionists' argument used to be that duties stimulated development of Canadian industry, and gave work to the working man; but it appears that under Grit rule to a protectionist this business is reversed, and that an imposition of duties diminishes the field for labor. If then the idea is to catch the working man at any hazard why not hold up both hands for the removal of all Canadian duties.

If the present government at Ottawa are not careful they will outdo their predecessors in this superannuation business. Just the other day they superannuated Shannon, post master at Kingston, and gave the appointment to Mr. Gunn, ex-M. P. of that city. In any case they might have held off the change until the proposed new civil service measure was put through the House. As they did not do this Shannon will of course draw full superannuation payments, whether he is entitled to them or not and Mr. Gunn will soon be on the list for consideration on that score also as he is a man of quite 60 years of age, an older man than many already superannuated, if not indeed an older man than the one he has succeeded in the post office.

CANADIAN NEWS.

Toronto, April 13.—The duties which the United States government intend to put on Canadian lumber, together with the threatened retaliatory export duty which the Canadian government are urged to put on Canadian logs, have evidently wakened up the United States lumbermen. One firm has decided to come into the country and manufacture here, and it is said others are contemplating the same step. The firm which has decided upon locating in Canada is the Holland-Emery Co., of Towus, Mich. They have purchased the old site of the Georgian Bay Lumber Co., at Byng Inlet, and will establish themselves there. Two mills are to be erected, the harbor dredged and docks built. The machinery will be brought over shortly from Towus, together with the engines, boilers, and complete plant. Three hundred men will be employed, all Canadians.

Owen Sound, April 15.—At the assize court the slander case of McNevin vs. Lediard, was concluded by a full apology having been tendered by the defendant. The plaintiff is a very pretty young lady. She was a member of the Disciples' church, Owen Sound, and defendant was pastor. The pastor of Hillsburg church, was engaged to her, but broke off the engagement, chiefly on account of the serious charges against her character made by the defendant. The defence did not attempt to justify, but pleaded privilege. The evidence, showing a case of cruel slander, when Mr. Aylesworth, counsel for the defendant, tendered a full apology, and admitting no foundation, and accepted judgment for costs. The judge said that the plaintiff left the court without the slightest imputation against her.

Montreal, April 15.—At the request of the Retail Grocers' Association of the city the wholesale grocers, manufacturers, provision dealers, packers and agents representing foreign houses exporting their goods, wares, etc., to Canada have signed an agreement pledging themselves not to sell directly or indirectly to departmental stores in Montreal. Only three wholesale dealers in the line mentioned have refused to sign the agreement.

Niagara Falls, April 17.—A man asked a hackman named Dave Nikerson on the New York side, at the end of Goat Island bridge, to drive him across to the Canadian side to see the sights. The hackman drove him on to the upper Suspension bridge and when about the centre of the structure the man, much to Nikerson's astonishment, quickly jumped out of the hack and with the parting words, "Here goes, good-bye," jumped over the bridge railing into the abyss below. The hackman jumped off his hack and saw the man strike a field of floating ice, that was being carried down with the current, with a fearful smash, the body quickly disappeared below the ice not to appear again. The only evidence left by him was a brown Derby hat with the maker's name inside, "Hall, Boston." The man was well dressed and was tall, slim and of fair complexion.

Montreal, April 19.—The Signal, a French Liberal organ, publishes a letter dated from Paris and signed by Maurice De La Fargue, secret chamberlain to Leo XIII, in which the writer claims to have received information from Rome that the object of Mr. Merry Del Val's mission to Canada is to try to bring the dissenting bishops to accept the transaction prepared by the Federal government and if necessary he will enjoin them to do so in the name of the Sovereign Pontiff.

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EXPERIMENTAL FARM.

Notes on Flowers and Shrubs.

The foreman of floriculture in looking over the results of the winter storage of bulbs and tubers finds that Gladioli, Dahlias, and Cannas have wintered well. As these varieties are susceptible to frost it is necessary to lift them in the fall, and store them in a cool, dry cellar, where the temperature does not drop below freezing point. When lifting Gladioli the whole plant should be retained, tied in bundles of about 25, and hung against a wall. In the spring the stalks will separate easily from the bulbs. Dahlias and Cannas are packed in a box with some loose earth thrown between them.

In the forestry department the foreman and staff are now busy preparing cuttings for future propagation. It is well for those wishing to increase their stock of soft wood trees, such as willow, poplars, currants, etc., to do likewise.

The procedure at the farm is as follows: The wood of the preceding year is cut into lengths about 8 inches long, these are buried for about three weeks with the buds down. By that time they will have become calloused and ready for planting. When planting never leave more than one bud above ground.

LIBERAL MEETING AT VIRDEN.

A meeting of the Liberal Association was held in Cain's hall, on Wednesday evening to appoint delegates to attend the annual convention to be held in Virden on the 27th. Mr. P. B. H. Ramsay occupied the chair and J. D. McNeven acted as secretary.

The following eight delegates were elected to attend the convention: J. W. Higginbotham, P. B. H. Ramsay, B. F. Foster, S. S. Colter, Wm. Stephens, R. E. Trumbull, Geo. Marshall, Jas. Rothnie, G. Cook and C. J. Thompson, substitutes.

J. W. Higginbotham was called on and gave a short address in his usual happy style. Messrs. Kennedy, Simpson and Proctor also addressed the meeting.

Mr. Higginbotham moved a vote of thanks to the chairman which was carried and replied to by Mr. Ramsay.



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The World Over.

Memphis, Tenn., April 15.—While the condition of affairs in the over-drowned Mississippi delta is reported brighter to-night, the situation between Vicksburg and New Orleans is causing greatest apprehension. The river continues to rise in the Louisiana levee and weak spots in the levee are being strengthened and watched day and night. O. C. Stubbfield, correspondent for the agricultural department of the United States government at Indola, Miss., says the suffering in Sunflower county, which forms part of the delta, had been greatly alleviated, and that much of the county is now dry. Statistics of the number of flood sufferers in Bolivar county show 22,000 people who are now, or soon will have to be, fed by charity.

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"I have taken a box of Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills, which I got at Mr. H. W. Lord's drug store, corner Broadway and Manitoba-avenues. They restored my nerves to their normal condition, and cured my system to such an extent, that all the distressing ailments I have mentioned have completely disappeared. I say it without any qualification whatever that they are a splendid cure for shattered nerves and late at night's evils. I cannot too highly praise the wonderful virtues of these pills in all cases of heart trouble."

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14. Its **History**.
15. Its **Future**.

Provincial and Territorial.

The Liberal-Conservative, Virden, held a public meeting in the town on Thursday evening, April 29, at 8 o'clock, when Hugh John Macdonald and others will speak on the public questions of the day. The public are invited to attend.

Rev. Alfred Andrews, of Rat Portage, formerly of Virden, has published a paper in the Globe, pointing out that the town is more than full of laborers, carpenters and artisans. An immense amount of work is being done, but there is no prospecting yet. On every side there are large numbers coming looking for work. Although the prospects are good yet there are twenty men that cannot get work where there is employment for one.

Joseph Moore met with a painful accident last week at McGregor. In attempting to get on his horse power while in motion his foot slipped and caught in the gearing, stripping the skin and flesh to the bone from the foot. The foot may have to be amputated. Dr. Pennyfather was sent for and put some twelve or fourteen stitches in order to close up the wound.

TURKS DEFEATED.

A dispatch to the daily Chronicle from Athens, dated midnight, says the Greeks captured Menaxa, after severe fighting. Turkish losses were very heavy and the Greek comparatively light. The correspondent adds: "The Greek fleet destroyed half the Turkish fleet at Prevesa and silenced the rest. I am assured bombarding will be continued to-morrow (Monday) morning. Latest news received to-day says the Greeks have captured and hold all the positions except Ana and Milouna, along the Thessalian line. There had access to an important point from a European capital, making the powers to have done nothing for several weeks because they had Greece would either be financially ruined or soundly beaten by Turkey. It was Germany that urged Turkey to declare war."

KEY TO THE CASE.

The Athens correspondent of the Times says: "The key to Milouna is Menaxa, a position of the greatest importance, where the Turks are strongly entrenched. Latest news to-day (Sunday, 11 p.m.) is that the Turks still hold their ground at that point. All volunteers of the foreign legion and a portion of the garrison started for Volo to-day. It is noted that communication of Assini Bay to Milouna does not specify any particular act of aggression upon which Turkish government professes to act. It is now certain, however, Edhem Pasha had received orders to advance to Larissa on the 10th inst. the day following the Hettiaris raid, but these orders were cancelled three hours later on the 10th Prince Maurocordato urged his government that the port was preparing to order an advance without any previous declaration of war. It is inferred from these facts that two great powers regard Turkey as a common enemy and the presence of Russian and German officers with the Turkish troops is bitterly commented upon in Athens."

Great North-West Central RAILWAY.

TIME TABLE.

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THE MAIL.

BRANDON, MAN.

The Week's Commercial Summary.

The Canadian Pacific earnings for the fourth week of March were unusually large, being \$536,000, an increase of \$73,000.

The regular chartered insurance companies had \$837,872,884 in fire risks in Canada, and there is \$327,814,465 of life insurance in force.

Wheat in Chicago is selling at the lowest prices in six months. May sold as low as 69 1/8c. on Monday as against 85 1/2c. on January 4th last. A large crop of winter wheat is expected this season.

The consumption of the cotton mills in the Southern States is placed at 530,000 bales to date, against 518,000 bales in 1896, and 453,000 bales in 1895. Northern mills have taken 1,266,235 bales against 1,200,794 bales last season.

There has been an active speculation of late in street railway stocks. Toronto sold up to 73, the highest price for a long time. Increased earnings during March and a belief that the people will vote in favor of Sunday cars have stimulated the demand.

The visible supply of wheat in the United States and Canada is now 38,612,000 bushels as against 30,322,000 bushels a year ago. The amount on passage to Europe is 19,040,000 bushels as against 27,275,000 bushels a year ago. Together the amount is 57,652,000 bushels against 57,594,000 bushels a year ago, a decrease of 29,942,000 bushels.

The business situation at Toronto is unchanged. There is a fair volume of trade in wholesale merchandise, but the great drawback is small profits, prices being cut terribly. Merchants are cautious and acting slowly. We notice, however, that the imports of free and dutiable goods at Toronto for March show an increase over the same month of the two previous years.

There is still much complaint at Montreal regarding general collections, and there is evidently great scarcity of the circulating medium in the country, as numerous instances are cited of hitherto cash buyers now taking full credit terms, and of others who never renewed a note now asking indulgence in this respect. In the face of this, however, paper falling due on the 4th inst. in the clothing and dry goods trade, has been better provided for than was anticipated, and no noteworthy failures are reported as the result of default.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade in the United States says: Failures reported for the first quarter of 1897 number 3,992 against 4,031 last year, with liabilities of \$18,007,911, against \$17,425,135 last year. The manufacturing failures are slightly fewer in number, and smaller in liabilities than last year, but the trading failures fall a little behind those of the corresponding quarter last year in number and very largely in magnitude. The average liabilities for all manufacturing are only \$28,800, while the average of all trading concerns is only \$7,810 against \$10,080 last year, a decrease which indicates caution in buying and debt creating.

Here and There.

Raphael is said to have conceived, in dreams, the ideas of some of his greatest pictures.

Oliver Cromwell had the largest brain on record. It weighed a little over sixty ounces, but was found to be diseased.

Handel had one of the most phenomenal musical memories ever known. He knew, by heart, over fifty operas from beginning to end.

Ole Bull, the celebrated violinist, was such a master of the instrument that he could play a melody of considerable compass on only one string.

Lope de Vega was the most noted dramatist. There still remains over 1,800 plays of his composition. About 300 of the best have been collected and published.

John Simons, a native of Berkshire, born without arms or hands, could write with his mouth, thread a needle, tie a knot and shuffle, cut and deal a pack of cards.

Goliath, the famous Philistine champion, was one of the tallest men of whom any measurements are recorded. His height was six cubits and a span, or about 10 1/2 feet.

Tamerlane enjoys the unenviable distinction of being the bloodiest conqueror in history. It is computed that during his wars nearly 1,000,000 of human beings were destroyed.

John Middleton, an English giant, born in 1787, was 9 feet 3 inches in height. His palm was 8 1/2 inches broad and from the carpus to the end of his middle finger was 17 inches.

Didymus, the Alexandrian, was born blind, but notwithstanding this defect, attained such great skill in mathematics, geometry and logic that he was reckoned one of the wonders of his age.

Daniel Lambert, the famous fat man and the most noted example of obesity recorded in medical annals, was born in 1770, and died at the age of 40, of excessive fat. His weight was 739 pounds.

A Long Wait.

Mike, having been directed to go down to the station and see when the next train left, is gone about two hours. Perkins anxiously—Well, Mike?

Mike—Well, sir, I had to wait a long time, sir, but it was just left—Harper's Bazar.

Sleeplessness is due to nervous excitement. The delicately constituted, the financier, the business man, and those whose occupation necessarily involves great mental strain or worry, all suffer less or more from it. Sleep is the great restorer of a worried brain, and to get sleep cleanse the stomach from all impurities with a few doses of Parment's Vegetable Pills, gelatin coated, containing no mercury, and are guaranteed to give satisfaction or the money will be refunded.

TOPICS OF THE WEEK.

HERE'S THE NEWS IN SHORT ORDER.

Findings from all Parts of the Globe, Condensed and Arranged for Busy Readers.

CANADIAN.

Mr. Biddee's safe at Port Rowan was blown open and robbed of a small sum. The rate of interest in Government Savings Banks is to be reduced to 3 per cent.

Dr. Montague speaks in very high terms of the prospects of the Bothwell oil fields.

New York capitalists propose to build an electric road between London and Port Stanley.

A contract for a new Public House on Aldison street, Brantford, to cost \$14,800, has just been let.

The returning officer declares Dr. Marcotte elected for Champlain by a total majority of 154 votes.

At Windsor Peter O'Neill was sentenced to eight years in the Kingston Penitentiary for highway robbery.

Mr. W. H. G. Knowles, a prominent citizen of Guelph, Ont., died suddenly at his residence in that city Friday.

In a runaway accident at Markham Geo. Johnston, a farmer, was thrown from the vehicle and instantly killed.

Mr. F. X. Moisan, Montreal, President of the Merchants' Telephone Co., died from paralysis after a brief illness.

Maggie Adamson, a young woman employed in a store at Ottawa, died suddenly at her work. An inquest is being held.

The Dominion Government has stopped the practice of giving prisoners in the penitentiaries tobacco for good conduct.

J. Sears was sentenced to 23 months in the Central Prison and J. Sickles to three years in Kingston at Brantford for counterfeiting.

The jury returned a verdict on Saturday at Toronto in the case of d'Alvy v. the Toronto World, awarding \$500 damages to the plaintiff.

Mr. Samuel Clarke, a young man employed on a farm near Belleville, was killed by the bursting of a fly-wheel while working a wood-sawing machine.

Duncan Forbes, of Culloden, the descendant of President Forbes, of Scotch historic fame, died at Culloden house, three miles from Inverness, on Saturday.

Herbert Temple, insurance agent, who was married at Smith's Falls three weeks ago, shot himself at the Grosvenor Hotel, Halifax. He is not expected to recover.

Mr. Isaac West, aged 63, a well-known and highly respected resident of Toronto, was found dead Friday in his stable, his son. Death was due to natural causes.

Mr. McMillen's bill to appoint a board of three to inspect the inside and outside civil service and disburse with all unnecessary officers has been introduced in the House of Commons.

The question of danger to live stock in the Northwest by the importation of diseased American stock under the new quarantine regulations was discussed in the House of Commons.

Mr. John William Morrison, Secretary of Public Works of Prince Edward Island, and a prominent Freemason, died in Charlottetown, P.E.I., on Sunday of grippe, aged seventy-seven.

Mr. J. B. Riley, United States Consul, gives the exports from the consular district of Ottawa to the United States for the quarter ended March 31 as \$550,990, of which \$467,151 was lumber.

The wife of Mr. James Lalng, of the Loring Packing Company, Montreal, died in the dental office of Dr. Rondeau while under the influence of chloroform, which had been administered by Dr. John Hutchison.

The authorities of McGill University, Montreal, have received from his Highness the Maharajah of Jeypore, India, a number of works on India, architecture, known as the Jeypore portfolios of architectural details.

In the Dominion House of Commons Speaker Edgar gave an authoritative denial to the statement made in the Senate on Wednesday night, that liquor is being supplied within the precincts of the House of Commons.

Mr. Richard Dolell, before leaving England for Canada, said that a contract to build four fast steamers for the Atlantic service has been signed on condition that the Imperial Government will share in the cost.

Mr. Charlton introduced his Lord's day bill. Mr. Laurier pointed out that at least two out of the four clauses of the bill were ultra vires of the Dominion House, and could be dealt with by the Provincial Legislatures.

The choice of the movement to begin war with Turkey does not rest with King George or the Greek Government, but with the Ethniko Hetairia, a secret organization, which directed the crossing of the frontier by Greek irregulars.

The latest news received from England regarding Lieut. Governor Kirkpatrick is that he is making marked improvement daily, and unless something intervenes to disturb existing arrangements he will leave for home on the 21st of the present month.

The Rev. J. Van Week, pastor of Gore street Methodist church, Hamilton, and president of the Hamilton Conference, died at his parsonage of brain trouble. He was 51 years of age, and was ordained a minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1869.

Monday in Montreal Judge Ouimet rendered judgment against the directors of the Temiscouata railway, awarding Mr. A. R. Macdonald, contractor, \$193,000, with interest, percentage which he claimed as due him, by agreement, on the bonds floated by the company.

The feature of the preliminary hearing of the charges against the four alleged counterfeiters in Brantford was the turning of Queen's evidence of John Sears, one of the prisoners, who swore that Sickles made the moulds, and Brown, the colored man, made the counterfeit money. The cases were adjourned.

The estimates for 1897-8 were brought down Thursday by Mr. Fielding. As compared with the estimates for the present fiscal year, they show an increase of \$2,556,317. The increase comes under the head of capital expenses, while the expenditure chargeable to consolidated fund is decreased. Amongst the economies is a smaller vote to the militia, to the mounted police force, and a reduction of the interest paid on deposits in Government savings banks from three and a half to three per cent.

UNITED STATES.

James M. Williamson, fifteen years old, was given an injection of antitoxine at the Christian Orphans' Home, in St. Louis, Mo., and in forty minutes he was a corpse.

There can be a difference of opinion on most subjects, but there is only one opinion as to the reliability of Mother Gray's Eucalypti Extract. It is safe, sure and effectual.

More than two years after his murder of Blanche Lamont and Minnie Williams, in Emanuel church, San Francisco, Theodore Durant was sentenced Saturday to be hanged on June 11. His counsel had exhausted every effort to secure delay, but the Supreme Court decision last week removed their last hope.

FOREIGN.

Prince Bismarck is much improved in health.

The Bank of England rate of discount has been reduced from 3 to 2 1/2 per cent.

Arthur Bardsley, the artist, has been formally received into the Roman Catholic Church.

Ten persons were killed by the explosion of a cartload of fireworks recently in Buenos Ayres.

The German Government will shortly be interpellated as to its proposed action towards the McKinley tariff.

It is understood that Mr. Joseph Chamberlain is likely to take the witness stand in the Transvaal enquiry.

The London Economist says that the motion of Mr. Seton-Karr for State granaries is only veiled protection.

It is now ascertained that Emperor William did not send his usual congratulations to Prince Bismarck on his birthday.

Herr Lauger, the anti-Semite leader in Vienna, has again been elected Bürgermeister, this time by three-fourths majority.

It is rumored in London that the Duke of York, who is a captain in the royal navy, will shortly join the Channel squadron.

Lord Charles Beresford proposes to re-arm seventeen obsolete warships which are now in the reserve with modern heavy guns.

A bill will shortly be placed before the French Chamber of Deputies asking for two hundred million francs to build naval docks.

A serious state of affairs in South Africa is reported, rebellion having broken out in two or three districts near Delagoa Bay.

The Chinese Government has decided to order four more armored cruisers, two fast cruisers, and several torpedo destroyers, English type.

With encouragement from the Socialist party, leaders of the workmen of Germany have resolved to celebrate May day as a labor holiday.

Mr. Balfour stated that it was not the intention of the Government to take the initiative in sending out invitations to a bi-metallic conference.

The belief prevails in Constantinople that the powers are losing their hold over the course of events, and that the so-called concert is a failure.

The Grand Duke of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, whose death was announced as having occurred at 9 o'clock on Saturday, committed suicide.

The Radicals in the British House of Commons have decided to bring about a debate before the Easter recess upon the policy of the Government in the east.

The Hawaiian Government has prohibited the landing of Japanese immigrants, and it is said that a warship will be sent from Japan to enforce into the matter.

Bands of Greek brigands have entered Turkey at Krania, in the vicinity of Greece. The Turkish troops engaged with them and the fight continued for some hours.

The Government of Hawaii has prohibited the landing in Hawaii of 400 Japanese emigrants and the Hawaiian Court has confirmed the action of the Government.

In view of the suffering from protracted drought, the Government of New South Wales has proclaimed that April 16 be observed as a day of humiliation and prayer for rain.

The proposal to blockade the port of Athens is now in abeyance, and it is regarded as very improbable that the powers will agree to restrain the Greek navy in the event of a war between Greece and Turkey.

Rumors are still persistent that England has acquired an island in Delagoa Bay, and these are strengthened by the fact that Admiral Rawson will sail shortly from Cape Town with sealed orders in the direction of the bay.

It is likely that the present balance of power in Europe will soon be rearranged. It is probably that the new Dreihund will consist of Germany, Russia and Austria, while an entente will be formed between England, France and Italy.

The Hon. Frederick Arthur Wellesley, third son of the first Earl Cowley, was granted a divorce from his wife, Kate Vaughan, the actress, upon the grounds of her misconduct with a member of her company of the name of Lorraine.

It is reported from Cape Town that the British Government has secured the island, at the entrance to Delagoa Bay, and that a squadron of warships from Cape Town have gone to take possession of the island and declare it British territory.

The Newfoundland sealing steamer Aurora has returned from the North Atlantic with a full cargo of 27,000 seals, secured after the most severe experience of many years. The Aurora reports that the other ships have had a most discouraging expedition.

Mr. R. W. Hanbury, replying to a question in the British House of Commons, announced that the Board of Trade would ask the Government of the Dominion of Canada to furnish a report on the result of the law prohibiting gambling in futures.

In the British House of Commons Mr. Chamberlain announced that a contract had been signed between Canada and the Petersens of Newcastle for a fast steamship service between Canada and Great Britain. But, Mr. Chamberlain added, the contract still requires the sanction of the Imperial Government.

There are cases of consumption so far advanced that Bickie's Anti-Consumptive Syrup will not cure, but none so bad that it will not give relief. For coughs, colds and all affections of the throat, lungs and chest, it is a specific which is never known to fail. It promotes a free and easy expectoration, thereby removing the phlegm, and gives the diseased parts a chance to heal.

HEART RELIEF.

Eight Years Hanging Between Life and Death in Acute Heart Disease—And in 30 Minutes After Taking First Dose of Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart Relief Comes—What It Did for Alfred Coudry, West Sheffield, Que., It Can Do for any Sufferer from the Same Cause.

"I had been suffering from acute heart trouble for over four years. When doctors had tried, and failed to give me relief, I procured Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart.

In thirty minutes after the first dose I had relief, and although mine was a case of long standing, eight bottles effected a permanent cure, and I firmly believe, after knowing what it has done for me, that there is no hotter case while this great cure is to be had. I cheerfully sanction the use of my testimony in whatever way it may do the most good."

Some Tales Always With Us.

"It is said we shall all pass away as a tale that is told."

"That sounds all right; but tales that are told don't pass away—they are forever being told over again."—Chicago Record.

Catarrh of Long Standing Relieved in a Few Hours.

It is not alone the people of our own country, and prominent citizens like Urban Lippe, M.P., of Joliette, Que., and other members of Parliament, who having used Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder, pronounce it the most effective remedy they have ever known, but people everywhere are expressing their gratification at the effectiveness of this medicine. C. G. Archer, of Brewer, Maine, says: "I have had catarrh for several years. Water would run from my eyes and nose days at a time. About four months ago I was induced to try Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder, and since using the wonderful remedy I have not had an attack. I would not be without it." It relieves in ten minutes.

Only a Sm. H. Insult.

Mrs. Lightfoot—The waiter appeared to be very much offended when you gave him that tip.

Mr. Lightfoot (in surprise)—Why, he couldn't be very much offended; I only gave him 5 cents!—Puck.

PILES CURED IN 3 TO 6 NIGHTS

Dr. Agnew's Ointment will cure all cases of Itching Piles in from three to six nights. One application brings comfort. For blind and bleeding piles it is peerless. Also cures Tetter, Salt Rheum, Eczema, Barber's Itch and all eruptions of the skin, 35 cents.

Just the Other Way.

Western Traveler—Did you ever live on the border madman?

Landlady—No, indeed, sir, but I've had a good many boarders live on me.—Boston Courier.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, ss.
LUCAS COUNTY,
FRANK J. CHENEY hereby oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. CHENEY & CO., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of \$100,000 for the use of Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1896.
A. W. GLEASON,
Notary Public.

Under False Colors.

Daughter—Put wants us to get married on St. Patrick's day.

Mother—Phut's he thinkin' av' Shure, ye'd be killt entirely of ye wore orange blossoms on that day.

Jenny Lind's Terrible Nervousness.
A reminiscent article on Jenny Lind and her home life has been prepared by her daughter, Mrs. Raymond Maude, for publication in the May Ladies' Home Journal. It is said to be filled with interesting memories of the famous singer, and is noteworthy also as being the first view we have of her through the eyes of her adoring daughter. Mrs. Maude brings to light the fact that Jenny Lind was always nervous and overstrung before events—just before singing in a new opera or oratorio, but was quite calm when the very moment of action arrived.

Mrs. Celeste Coon, Syracuse, N. Y., writes: "For years I could not eat many kinds of food without producing a burning, excruciating pain in my stomach. I took Parment's Pills according to directions under the head of 'Dyspepsia and Indigestion.' One box entirely cured me. I can now eat anything I choose, without distressing me in the least." These Pills do not cause pain or griping, and should be used when a cathartic is required.

A Thin Wrapper.

She—Why don't you say something, Mr. Folly?

He—Oh, I beg your pardon, dear. I was completely wrapped up in thought.

She—Aren't you cold?—New York Evening Journal.

Always on Hand.—Mr. Thomas H. Porter, Lower Ireland, P. Q. writes: "My son, 18 months old, had croup so bad that nothing gave him relief until a neighbor brought me some of Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil, which I gave him, and in six hours he was cured. It is the best medicine I ever used, and I would not be without a bottle of it in my house."

True to Life.

"Harry says his life was a barren desert before he saw me."

"Well, he looks as if he had lived where he couldn't get water to drink."—Chicago Record.

PILL-OSOHPY.

There are pills and pills—but Dr. Agnew's Liver Pills at 20 cents a vial lead in demand. The sale borders on the phenomenal.

Sluggish liver, constipation or irregular bowels are the precursors of many physical disorders.

These little wonders remove the cause. They are entirely vegetable. They act on the liver and bowels without disturbance to the system, diet, or occupation. They never gripe. They act pleasantly, 40 in a vial for 20 cents.

THE ONLY ONE

Dodd's Kidney Pills Cure Where all other Remedies Fail.

BRIGHT'S DISEASE NOT INCURABLE

But there's only One Cure in the World, and that we have Named—Hundreds Testify to Cures—Never a Failure Recorded.

It used to be said, "If you have Bright's Disease, it won't be long before people are walking slow behind you."

Bright's Disease affects brainy men particularly. The brainier and more active a man, the more liable he is to Bright's Disease. Bright's Disease is a disease of the kidneys. It is the name given to the fatty degeneration of those organs. It is caused by excessive use of alcoholic drinks. It is caused by excessive eating of rich food. It may be caused by exposure to cold and moisture. It may be caused by improper living.

But it's not with the cause we have to deal. It is with the cure.

It used to be thought that Bright's Disease was incurable. We know better now. Restore the kidneys to health, and you may eat what you like, drink what you like, work as hard or be as active as you like, and bid defiance to death-dealing Bright's Disease.

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Why He Wouldn't Shoot.
An English guardsman the other day was discussing politics in a public house in the Edgware Road with two Irish Hyde Park orators.

"Tell us," they asked him, "if one day the down-trodden British workman were to revolt, would you fire on him?"

"Never!"

"You're one of the right sort. You must have a drink with us. Three pints, please."

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"How many men like yourself can we count on in your barracks?"

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"Next?"

"Two glasses of whiskey."

"Next?"

"One glass of brandy."

"Next?"

"A fight."—London Tit-Bits.

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BREVITIES

PERSONALITIES.

Canon Owen, the newly appointed bishop of St. David's, is a Welsh speaking Welshman.

"Mrs. Tussaud" paid Dr. Nansen \$5,000 for the blubber soaked suit he wore when he met Mr. Jackson on the ice of Franz-Josef Land.

John M. Ward, the once renowned shortstop of the old New York baseball team, has been made claim agent of a Brooklyn trolley company.

Tim Hussey, who discovered mines in the Cripple Creek district worth fully \$1,000,000, died penniless in the hospital of the great gold camp recently.

Professor Karl Weierstrass, who recently died in Berlin and was accounted one of the greatest mathematicians of the time, was, notwithstanding his fame, a man of great modesty.

Miss Maud R. Ingersoll, daughter of Colonel Robert G. Ingersoll, has written a letter to an Atlanta paper denying the statement recently made by an Atlanta minister that she is a Presbyterian.

A French Canadian couple, Louis Darwin and his wife, now living in St. Paul, recently celebrated the eightieth anniversary of their marriage. The husband is 107 years old, and his wife is 101.

Jonathan Hand, who died recently, had been clerk of Cape May county, N. J., for 50 years. He served from 1840 to 1890, having been appointed once and nine times elected without opposition.

Mr. Benjamin Jeans has just left the service of the Great Western railway, which he had served as guard on the London and Birmingham express for 54 years. He has traveled altogether 4,000,000 miles on the railway.

By a special decree of President Faure the cross of the Legion of Honor has been conferred upon Dr. Arthur Le Roeders of New Orleans for bravery on the battlefield and for services rendered to the republic of France during the Franco-Prussian war.

The father of Senator Gorman, Peter Gorman of the Chesapeake and Ohio canal company, used to play cards with Daniel Webster, and the latter, when secretary of state, had Arthur, a boy of 13, appointed a page in the senate. Webster died soon after.

A Kentucky man has named his children as follows: The oldest, Daniel Prophetus Vancaster Bustersquire Hobbs Bush; the second, Charles William Henry Harrison Dalton Houston Austin Bush; and the youngest, John Cornelius Edward Vanderbilt Bush.

Nansen lectures very modestly and simply, with no frills and no attempt at heroics. But he is enabled to do this by the graphic nature of some of his adventures, which are sensational in their bare recital. The explorer shows no outward signs of the hardships he underwent in the frozen north.

The shah of Persia is going to send an embassy extraordinary to visit successively St. Petersburg, Vienna, Berlin, Paris and London. Nasseret Moulk, son of a former minister of foreign affairs of the late shah, will be at the head of it. He is said to be an intelligent man, quite familiar with European affairs.

STAGE GLINTS.

Louise Beaudet has made a hit in London with Lida Orme's song, "A Lesson in Kissing."

Emerson Bennett, an author of popular serial fiction, has written a drama for Philadelphia production.

James Gannon of the Gannon brothers, John and James, Irish comedians, is still at his home in Cleveland.

Frederick Paulding has engaged Frederick Mayer and Addison Pitt to support him in "A Modern Martyr."

Mrs. Helena Modjeska is at San Francisco, where she is recuperating after her recent illness at Los Angeles.

Queenie Vassar will go to Europe in May. She is considering an offer from London for an appearance in that city.

The Bostonians probably will revive "Robin Hood" during their present season at the Knickerbocker theater, New York.

The engagement of Sophie Traubmann of the Metropolitan Opera company to marry Charles Patzowsky of New York is announced.

Peter F. Daily will do a condensed version of "A Good Thing" and J. H. Gilmore will present the one act play "Chums" in the vaudeville houses.

A new burlesque will be put on at Weber & Fields' Broadway Music hall, New York. The title of it is "Mr. New York, Esq." It is by Joseph W. Herbert and John Stromberg.

FIGS AND THISTLES.

The man who minds his own business will always have something to do.

The more grateful we are for our blessings, the smaller our trials will be.

If we do too much for our children, they will never be able to do much for themselves.

It is hard to convince some preachers that they are not needed more where the need is the best.

The preacher whose only usefulness lies in his ability to cure insomnia in the hearers has misunderstood his call.

One of the biggest fools in the world is the man who thinks the devil won't tempt him because his wife belongs to him.

There is something wrong with the man who goes home from church and says the preaching is aimed square at the face of sin.—Ram's Horn.

WHAT WOMEN WEAR.

Bodices closely fitted with a long point in front are a feature of the new evening dress.

One special novelty in parasols is called the "sunburst" and is almost Japanese in shape, as it is flatter than the other styles.

Pretty shirt waists are made of pink, blue and ecru linen, with either ends or tucks run in to form the yoke or set in up and down the front.

Cloth coats trimmed with lace are a novelty in jackets, which is indeed an innovation, and the lace appears on the large square collars of the empire coat.

Red foulards, red dimities and red lawns are liberally sprinkled through the stock of summer materials, and the large white polka dot on a blue ground is one of the new patterns.

Picture hats with an abundance of ostrich feathers and flowers for trimming will be much worn this season, and there are long plumes among the feathers which are arranged to fall over the brim.

Black silk shirt waists with two or three side plaits of some bright color set in on either side of the front and a turn over collar and cuffs of kilted silk of the same shade are very attractive as well as useful.

A new cycling skirt has two straight plaits in the back which are made separate and partially detached, so that they fall gracefully on either side of the wheel, and beneath this is a regular skirt at the back which completes it for a walking skirt as well.

Tucks are all the rage surely, since they appear in thin gowns, silk gowns and all other materials which can possibly be used for the spring and summer wardrobe, except perhaps chevrot and serge, and they are in all widths and in all forms, both crosswise and up and down.

The newest evening dresses have trimmed skirts and finely plaited ruffles of taffeta or lace, or both combined, set on in groups. It is an old fashion revived. Narrow gauge ribbon, with a satin edged plaited into ruchings and set on in series of five, five inches apart, in wavy lines, is another new and old skirt trimming.—New York Sun.

HORSE TALK.

George Parberry has located at one of the Baltimore tracks.

F. E. Wilson, Punxsutawney, Pa., has bought Acolyte, 2:21.

Trainer John Kinney may go to Point Breeze course this spring.

Bingen (3), 2:12½, now shades over 15.2 hands without plates.

It is reported that Mr. C. W. Williams will buy the track at Galesburg, Ills.

Ruby, 2:19½, a sister to Stamboul, 2:07½, has been booked to Alcantara.

Budd Doble is at the head of a company which is to manufacture pneumatic tires.

Sheridan, 2:20½, the old time trotter, who secured his record in 1880, is dead.

Allerton was shipped to Lexington recently. Brook Curry will have him in charge.

The dam of Colonel Kuser, 2:11½, has been bred to the Electioneer stallion Hugo, 2:24.

Orrin Hickok, the California trainer, is to move east in April with the Stokes string of trotters.

A. H. Moore of the Cloverdell stock farm may start his fast mare, Vinette, 2:09½, this spring.

C. N. Payne is jogging Agnus, 2:10, by Sherman, on the road. She will soon be given track work.

A suitable headstone has been erected to mark the grave of Charley B, 2:25, who died last November.

John Kinney will train Miss Carroll, 2:23½, by Santa Claus; Ambrose, 2:26½, and some youngsters of great promise.

The fast 3-year-old Leavitt, by Moquette, 2:10, owned by E. H. Greeley, Ellsworth, Me., will be trained by E. L. Fisher.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

Scatter sassafras bark among dried fruit to keep it from becoming wormy.

Brazil is a Portuguese word signifying "a live coal." It was given in allusion to the abundance of red dyewood in the forests.

It has been estimated that over 2,000,000 acres are devoted to the maintenance of deer in Scotland, and that about 5,000 stags are annually killed.

Two Kentuckians in a contest for the championship of the Cumberland mountains at horsemanship pitched continued play for three days and were tied then.

The oyster grows from the inside by throwing out every year rings or circles of a calcareous substance, and experts can tell where the growth begins and ends for the year.

Christian Kiervend and Anna Poffenroth called upon a Colfax, Wash., justice of the peace and asked him to conduct the ceremony of marriage in the German tongue. He procured a tutor, studied for an hour to memorize the service and fulfilled their wish.

The London Telegraph tells a curious story about a young curate of evangelical views who recently committed the indiscretion of smoking in the street. A woman, one of his parishioners, who saw him, was so shocked that she immediately renounced her belief in the Thirty-nine Articles.

Magdalen college, Oxford, has refused to accept a tablet to Gibbon, the historian, who was a student there. Gibbon had a very low opinion of his college, and left no record 140 years ago that life there "stagnated in a round of college business, Tory politics, personal stories and private scandal."

SELECTIONS

LIVED SIX MONTHS ON \$70.

How a Newspaper Man in Hard Luck Managed to Exist.

Six months ago a newspaper man came to Chicago to get work on one of the big papers here. Like many another man from the country, he thought that the fact that he was head and shoulders above the other newspaper men in his little town was proof that he was able to stand the keen competition in Chicago. But he found that the places were filled, and that there were at least 50 per cent more paper than holes. He was determined not to go back to his little town, so he remained in Chicago in the hope that he would get a place.

Meanwhile he had no money whatever and had to practice the closest economy. He wrote five or six columns of copy each week and tried to sell the stories to the Sunday papers. Now and then he sold something, but his income during the six months was about \$2.50 per week, his total earnings for that period, in fact, being only \$70. Nevertheless he managed to live without borrowing any money, for he had no friends in Chicago from whom he could borrow, and he was too proud to write home for money. Instead he wrote home glowing tales of the progress which he was making and told of the advantages of newspaper work in a big city and its consequent rewards.

Few people would believe that a man could live in Chicago for six months on \$70, but he did it. Of course he did not dine at a fashionable restaurant. He ate his meals on Clark street at some sacrifice of his pride, but without the knowledge of any of his acquaintances. No one would know where he ate, for none of the men whom he saw during the day would go to such a place. His meals usually cost him 5 cents each, and they were good meals, in quantity, if not in quality.

You can buy a luxurious breakfast on Clark street for 5 cents. It will consist of three eggs, bread, butter and coffee, and any one inclined to doubt the statement can go and try the meals. The places are easily found. There are always big signs outside of them containing names of the articles of food and the prices. For 5 cents he bought his dinner, which consisted of any kind of meat, potatoes, bread and coffee. A similar bill of fare at the same expense formed his supper. Sometimes he would pay 10 cents for his dinner, and then he would get two more vegetables and some pie for dessert. Thus his meals cost 15 cents a day, or \$1.05 a week.

He slept in a 10 cent lodging house in the same room with a half dozen other men. The beds were small, but the inmates slept soundly, and none of the inmates knew him. They were not inquisitive and were too much bothered by their own troubles to care to ask him.

Seventy cents a week was the cost of his lodging. This was a total of \$1.75 for a week's board and lodging. His other fixed expenses were for tobacco, newspapers and writing paper. He smoked a pipe, the tobacco costing 10 cents a week. He had to buy a couple of newspapers each day, which meant 25 cents a week, although sometimes he would look at those in the reading rooms of the libraries. His copy paper cost him only 10 cents a week, leaving a margin of 30 cents.

The only drawback about sleeping in a 10 cent lodging house was that there was no place afforded in which to write, but he used to go to the public or Newberry library and do his writing there, where there are ample facilities. Most of his time was spent in traveling around on the streets looking for good Sunday stories.

Such was the life he led for six months. A few weeks ago he was given a place as a spare writer on the city staff. Now he earns \$10 or \$12 a week, and he is able to live more luxuriously. But the reporter is now willing to believe, as he knows by practical experience, that a man who can make \$2 or \$3 a week need not starve in a big city.—Chicago Times-Herald.

Sale of Racing Cups.

A racing cup would seem to be one of those things, after a family wedding ring, which a man would hate to sell. The Earl of Roslyn disposed of his plate in silver and gold, the total weight of which was 12,000 ounces, and among the lots were objects which had been in the family for centuries. Among the sporting trophies were the 1,000 guineas Ascot cup for 1892, in 18 carat gold and weighing 120 ounces, and sold for £435; the Edinburgh gold cup, 1891, £181 4s.; the Caledonian hunt cup, 1891, of 320 ounces, £120. These three were won by the present Lord Roslyn's horse Buccaneer. Among notable prizes obtained were: Vase shaped cup and cover, with double handles, 1777, £178; cup and cover, with double entwined snake handles, 1777, £212; double handled cup and cover, surmounted by melon, 1752, £153; large Monteth bowl, 1557; orfivorn cup and cover, 1765, £140.—Exchange.

Astronomer Jackson.

John G. Jackson of Hockessin, Del., who died recently at the age of 80 years, was well known all over Delaware as a surveyor, civil engineer and astronomer. In 1835, with the aid of the best tables of the planet Venus then accessible, he made the useful calculations for the projection of the transit of that planet across the sun's disk to occur in 1882, 45 years thereafter. This had last been observed in the United States by David Rittenhouse in 1769. In 1882 he observed the transit of Venus, co-operating with other astronomers and being assisted by Professor Harkness of the Washington naval observatory, who was then president of the transit commission.—New York Tribune.

Women and Gotham Restaurants.

Most of the respectable restaurants in New York refuse to serve meals to women who enter them unaccompanied by male escorts late in the evening, and the proprietors say that they must enforce this rule in self defense, even though great injustice is done occasionally. One of the women lawyers in this city had a mortifying experience once evening a week, ago because of her ignorance of such a rule, and she has brought a \$5,000 damage suit against the proprietor of the restaurant that will test his right to enforce the rule. The woman, accompanied by her daughter, left a friend's house a little after 9 o'clock in the evening to go home. It was raining hard, and the two women went into a Harlem restaurant to order a cab. They seated themselves at a table in the dining room, and, thinking it would be better to order supper before asking the proprietor to summon a cab, they called a waiter. He told them that women without male escorts could not be served in that restaurant after 9:30. The waiter added that they must leave the restaurant.

Both women were indignant, and they appealed to the proprietor, but he refused to discriminate in their case. He said that the rule applying to unescorted women must be enforced in his restaurant. The application of the rule in this case was an injustice, but the restaurant men say that they cannot discriminate. Two years ago the proprietor of an all night restaurant frequented late in the evening by women who are accustomed to going out after dark unescorted found that in self protection he must enforce some such rule. Many of the women who went to this restaurant were actresses and chorus girls employed in neighboring theaters, and it would be unjust to exclude them. The proprietor decided that women without escorts should not be admitted after 1 o'clock, and they were not. There probably is not a respectable restaurant in New York where a woman without an escort is served with supper late in the evening.—New York Sun.

A Modest Office Seeker.

In the district which Congressman Ellis of Oregon represents are two presidential postoffices—Astoria and Portland—only two, remember, for that is the point of this story.

The other day, while Mr. Ellis was seated at his desk in the house, a card was handed to him. He went into the lobby and found a young man. Forthwith the said young man proceeded to address Mr. Ellis in this wise:

"Mr. Ellis, I have come to the conclusion that I want to go west. I think that the climate will agree with me and that there is a chance out there for me to make a living. I have saved a little money, but I do not want to take any risk of not finding employment. I have come to you, therefore, with a suggestion. Mr. McKinley knows my father very well, and I think that he also remembers me. Now, if I could go out to Oregon as postmaster of Astoria I would settle there, and I am sure Mr. McKinley would appoint me if you will only recommend me."

The young man got no further in his speech. Mr. Ellis, who is very tall, looked down upon his visitor with a paralyzed stare, and then, turning on his heel, walked back into the house without saying a word.—Washington Post.

A Double Theater.

The enormous number of people in our large cities who desire to be amused and who seem to think that the more they get for their money the better they are pleased has led theater managers to pattern, to a certain extent, after circus companies that put on two or three forms of amusement in as many distinct stages. The newest idea is a double stage and two auditoriums. The building above the stage is made much higher than such structures ordinarily are in order to accommodate the scenery and stage property, which go up instead of being moved out of the sides. With this new idea the addition of a small number of actors may add greatly to the interest of the occasion. There may be a play going on which those who sit near enough can hear distinctly, while those at a distance can be entertained by gymnastic, acrobatic and similar performances. It is a bold innovation, and many people are wondering just what will be the result.—New York Ledger.

Chamberlain's Boast.

Mr. Chamberlain's boast that he did not take exercise has been frequently alluded to since he began to suffer from rheumatism. The remarks referred to were addressed to a gathering of Birmingham athletes. "I do not cycle," he said, "I do not ride, and I don't walk when I can help it. I don't play cricket, and I don't play football, and I don't play tennis, and I don't play golf, which is, I have been assured, an indispensable condition of statesmanship. The fact is, I don't take exercise at all." Mr. Chamberlain is not known to have changed his habits since making this confession. He is almost the only cabinet minister sitting in the house of commons who has not, since the government was formed, met with an accident through bicycling or hunting.

The Antidivulgan.

Mrs. Mary Ann Reed, who died at the Hartford Retreat for the Insane the other day at the age of 92, had been in the institution for 52 years. She was the "little lady" referred to by Charles Dickens in his "American Notes." The passage relating to her is as follows: "I am an antidivulgan, sir." I thought the best thing to say was that I had suspected as much from the first. Therefore I said so. "It is an extremely proud and pleasant thing, sir, to be an antidivulgan," said the old lady. "I should think it was, ma'am," I rejoined. The old lady kissed her hand, gave another ship, smirked and slid down the gallery in a most extraordinary manner. Her delusion was a pleasant one, and she was always amiable and docile.

HUMOR

OFFICE AND MAN.

Square Hopkins Was Modest, but His Friends Were Very Ingenious.

As I rode into Bisbee's Corners I met the postoffice coming up the main street. It was a second class postoffice, and it did not belie its class in the least. It was a flimsy frame structure, and its eccentric conduct was accounted for by the fact that it was mounted on rollers and was dragged along at snail's pace by a windlass, the moving spirit of which was a doleful looking mule.

"What building is that?" I inquired of a group of loungers who were watching the exciting proceedings and concurrently exuding large quantities of advice and tobacco juice.

"That's the Bisbee's Corners postoffice," replied a one eyed man who was whittling a shingle. "She's got a great old move on, hasn't she?"

I agreed that she had, and then made inquiry as to the destination of the dilapidated structure.

"Waal, I'll tell ye," replied the one eyed man as he borrowed a plug of tobacco from another loafer and cut off a huge slice. "The most enterprising citizen in this town, present company being always excepted, of course, is Square Hopkins, the long headed justice of the peace. He's got the man to serve the town in an official capacity; but, unlike most of these here politicians, he's the modestest man in four counties. We've been wakin with him here for months tryin to get him to stand as a candidate for postmaster, but he's so blamed modest he won't do it fer love nor money."

"Dumdest modest man ye ever see!" cried another of the crowd.

"The only thing we could get out of him after beginn in pleadin fer weeks," continued the one eyed citizen, "was that in his opinion the office should seek the man, and, actin on that suggestion, we are a-movin her up on to his lot as fast as that old mule kin hump her along."—New York Sunday Journal.

More Bulletins.

Lieutenant—Another glorious victory, your excellency!

General Weyler—Yes?

Lieutenant—One of the regiments this morning captured a messenger boy carrying a package of Cuba Libre postage stamps.

General Weyler—Well?

Lieutenant—They couldn't lick the messenger boy, but they licked the stamps.—New York Press.

Had Changed Complexions.

It was the seventh time she had tried on the gown.

"It doesn't seem to me," she said, "that it becomes my complexion."

"Madam forgets," said the modiste, "that she has not the same complexion she wore last time she was here."—Chicago Journal.

At a Nihilist Meeting.

President Garosky—We have not seen you lately, Brother Ragovitch. Have you been taking a vacation?

Ragovitch—Not exactly, though I had a knocking.

Every bomb in the room shrapnel exploded with deafening report.—Twinkles.

A Question of Priority.

Simonsbee—I have a chance to marry two girls. One is pretty, but a mere butterfly, as it were, and the other, though plain, is an excellent house-keeper.

Mr. Russell of Chicago—Take the pretty one first.—Indianapolis Journal.

Amended.

"Gimme some other expression for that old saying of 'one foot in the grave' will you?" asked the new reporter.

"Suppose you say one wheel in the repair shop?" suggested the bicycle editor.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Too Much Bill.

Waiter (seeing dissatisfaction on guest's face)—Wasn't the dinner cooked to suit you, sir?

Guest—Yes, all but the bill. Just take that back and tell them to boil it down a little.—Tit-Bits.

Profuse.

Caller—The lady who has moved in next door to you seems to have all kinds of clothes.

Landress—Yes, but she wears too many kinds at a time.—Detroit News.

Not Available.

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Dr. Mitchell and the Stranger.

Dr. Weir Mitchell of Philadelphia tells the following story on himself: "While traveling in England," he said, "I fell into conversation with a stranger who proved to be a man of great intelligence and culture. We discussed recent novels, on which we spoke with much freedom. I expressed my opinion of Tess, some parts of which I thought were very melodramatic, especial emphasis being laid on the first part of the compound word. 'In fact,' I said, 'they are so mellow that they approach the stage of rottenness.' As we were parting the gentleman said, 'You may be interested in knowing that my name is Thomas Hardy.'"—New York Sun.

Suburban Joy.



Domestic From Next Door—Please, missus sends her compliments, and there's a burglar in our back parlor, and will you come and catch him?—Pick Me Up.

The Observing Bachelor.

Clothes don't make the man, but they often unmake him.

To a woman home is where her heart is; to a man it's where he keeps his biggest pipe.

After a man has been married two years whenever he calls his wife darling she gets suspicious.

You can always tell a bachelor by noticing whether he carries a baby like a lighted lamp or an old overcoat.

A new woman is an old girl that can't hide it.

A man never really enjoys life, because when he is young he gets so used to loading that he can't enjoy work, and by the time he gets old he has got so used to work that he can't enjoy loading.—New York Press.

An Authority Changed.

It was related of one of the members of Grant's first cabinet, a former college professor of the "know it all" variety, that he was on one occasion discoursing on the subject of the Druces, when an auditor interrupted him with the remark that the cyclopedia did not agree with him. "Oh," was the reply, "I know a great deal more about the Druces than I did when I wrote that article in the cyclopedia."—Argonaut.

Cure For the Club Habit.

LOCAL NEWS

Toronto has a population of 184,000. Senator Kirchhoffer is home on a visit.

The Hon. Clifford Sifton is expected in the city shortly.

On May 10th University examinations will open in this city.

The hospital nurses were photographed by W. D. Clement.

Miss Ethel Whyte, of Rapid City, is visiting Miss Millie Hyndman.

Mr. E. Drake has opened a general agency office near the Fleming block.

Coombs & Stewart's block is undergoing considerable repairs and improvements.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Main lost an interesting child some three months old, on Thursday last.

Robt. McTavish, in the Grundy block, Winnipeg, is in the toils charged with stealing \$2,000.

The officers of the Horticultural Society are drumming up a subscription list with ways and means.

John Giles gave his foot an ugly wound the other day driving a pick into it. He will be laid up for some time.

The Rev. Hugh Pedley will address the Oddfellows in the Congregational church here on Sunday Morning.

Mr. Wene, of the Massé-Harris agency, arrived in town on Monday from Toronto and will remain for the summer.

Roseland is going to have a 20,000 bbl. brewery. That will quench some of the thirst for gold as well as every thing else.

If Laurier taxes tea, sugar, etc., it will be one step towards "free trade as they have it in England" for there these commodities are taxed.

The C.P.R. trackmen have had their wages increased ten cents per day on all divisions. The men now receive \$1.25 a day and their foremen \$1.70.

Easter bonnets did not show worth a cent on Sunday last. The Clergyman ought for convenience sake to adjourn Easter Sunday till fine weather is fully assured.

Wheat made a ten cent advance in Chicago last week with corresponding improvement the country over. This is a good opportunity for people who have it to unload.

Mr. P. Payne got Messrs. McLeod & Hanley to import a novel sporting rig for him the other day. It has automatic tires and ball bearings. This will give the occupants ease and comfort in earnest.

The people along the line of the G.N.W.R. and others interested are petitioning the government to compel the R.R. Co. to go on with construction or abandon their charter.

The elements appear against Mr. Dickson, who has the contract for repairing 1st street bridge, the other night, and tore down a portion of its structure, causing a loss of probably \$100.

Messrs. C. Adams, M.P.P., and F. W. Adams received a wire announcing the sad news of the death of their father in Toronto. The deceased gentleman was well known to many of our citizens through his several visits, at intervals, to this place.

Hennelberg's orchestra concert Tuesday evening last was very successful in every way. With Mr. Hennelberg's musical ability the Brandon orchestra made an excellent showing. Mrs. McLeod-Craig and Messrs. Deans and Lowes delighted the audience with vocal selections.

It is customary now in fashionable churches to announce the programme for Sunday services in advance. A. B. will preach, Miss Squizerinkrim will sing "Foliededole Dido," by Professor Fowler, as a solo. Mr. Pecksniff will preside at the piano. In some churches they say a collection at the door. All that is now necessary is to say the curtain will rise at 5 sharp, and the circus advertising will be complete.

Mr. Rowand Johnstone, at one time a clerk at the P.O., and now a mail clerk on the western division, was married to Miss Nellie, daughter of Mr. F. S. Thorne, of the C.P.R. service, in the Methodist church on Thursday evening last, by the Rev. Mr. Gaetz. There was a large attendance present. Mr. and Mrs. Johnstone have gone to reside in Winnipeg, followed by the best wishes of many Brandonites.

The death of James Hopkins, an old time resident of the Souris section is announced. Mr. Hopkins for many years resided in the village of Souris but lately was farming near Hartney. The deceased had been complaining of dyspepsia and its complications for many years. He was a very intelligent man, and always admired for his business integrity and honor in all dealings by all acquaintances. He leaves a widow and a grown up family who will long mourn their heavy loss.

The Sons of Scotland had a most successful meeting on the 13th inst. and initiated nine new members. The following officers were then installed for the term of '37—Chief, T. J. Somerville; vice-president, T. Hutson; chaplain, E. T. Somerville; sec. treas., R. L. Kennedy; treas., Wm. Ferguson; fin. sec., D. Ross; marshal, W. Patterson; standard bearer, D. A. Sutherland; senior guard, W. A. Nichol; junior guard, A. B. Sproule. The next meeting will be held in the C.O.F. hall, Tuesday 27th.

There are even Liberals who are dissatisfied with the proposed tariff revision—placing duties on teas, sugars, coffee, etc.—and many Conservatives say the Grits are worse than the Tories. Now the question is simply this: Supposing the Grits were wrong in everything, would that prove the Tory policy was right in anything? The answer is emphatically "No." The proper thing then for the people is not to pin their all on either party, but to support measures that are wise, no matter whence they come, and to suggest other wise reforms for the consideration of the country. In this going something like proper government will eventually be secured.

Turkey and Greece are apparently in for a prolonged war.

Mr. Malcolm Turfiff, of Rapid City, spent Good Friday in town.

The west ward school opened for "matriculation" on Monday last.

The Horticultural Society held a general meeting this (Thursday) evening.

J. A. Russell, late of McKee & Russell, is going to open a business at Greenwood City, B. C.

Capt. Clark has been a secretary of the Western Agriculture and Arts Association, and a most efficient officer he will make.

The town of Emerson is worse flooded than it was in 1882. Water is up to the tops of the counters in the stores and all business except boat building is suspended.

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Free Press.—There have been no less than five births among the Galician families at the Dominion Immigration hall in the past month. The present government immigration plans appear to be a huge success.—[Ed. Min.]

Rev. Hugh Pedley, of Winnipeg, will preach the anniversary sermon to the L.O.O.F. Sunday morning next. He will also occupy the pulpit in the evening and will give a lecture on "Matches" on Monday evening. There will be good music, admission to lecture 25c.

Mr. Harding is to be congratulated on the success of the boys' choir in St. Matthew's, especially on their singing on Sunday last at all services. Their voices blend nicely and time is perfect. The solos in the anthems were taken by James Gray, Roland Hesson and Walter Cliffe all under 14 years of age. No doubt the boys themselves feel proud of their success.

EASTER SERVICES.

As is customary on this Solemn Festival Day, the anniversary of the greatest event in the world's history, the churches of the city gave particular attention to floral decorations and succeeded well in having effective collections of plants, rich in foliage and bloom, which, no doubt, gave silent worship showing the handiwork of God. The music and singing was a special character suitable for the occasion.

The Baptist pulpit was occupied in the morning by Mr. Attwood, and in the evening by Mr. Atkins, both delivering appropriate sermons.

In the Presbyterian church two able sermons were given by Rev. Mr. Henry, the music being special. In the afternoon a children's special Easter service was held which will no doubt be beneficial to the little ones.

The Rev. Leo Gaetz preached a sermon to the children in the morning bearing on the resurrection making it plain and yet forcible to the little ones by several object lessons and experiments.

Mr. McPherson, Portage la Prairie, sang a beautiful solo, and in the evening he assisted the choir in the difficult anthem "Gloria." The song service in the evening was highly appreciated by the large congregation.

The solos of Mrs. Boyd and Mr. McPherson, and duet by Miss Gordon and Mr. McPherson were worthy of mention.

The English church service was as usual solemn and effective. The singing of the boys choir being very good, especially as the choir has only been singing a few months.

The Catholic church too had special celebration of the Easter festival when good music was given.

DEATHS.

The hand of death has again been busy in our midst claiming even the fairest as its own.

About the 12th, the only son of Mrs. Blue, a most promising youth some 12 years of age, became the victim of appendicitis, and an operation was performed on him in the hospital, but he did not long survive the shock, as he died on Sunday.

Mrs. Ellis, who kept the Kindergarten school, across the street from St. Matthew's church has been suffering from cancer for some time, and had an operation performed some days ago. The effects were too severe for her weakly constitution and she succumbed on Tuesday last. She leaves behind a husband and four young children who will long mourn their irreparable loss.

CARBERRY.

Here's a record in wood chopping that's hard to beat. Wm. Carlen and Mark Danard chopped fourteen cords of poplar wood in six hours and forty-five minutes on Wednesday, April 14th.

While in Winnipeg on Monday and Tuesday Williams & Dodwell purchased six heavy horses to sell in this district. Mr. Dodwell also bought a fine lot of buggies to continue the livery business.

It is our painful duty to announce the death of an old pioneer in the person of Mrs. Thomas McFarlane, who died at Petrol on Wednesday, April 17th after an illness of only two days. The funeral took place to the Union Cemetery on Friday afternoon. The bereaved family will have the sympathy of their many friends.

Dr. W. S. Henderson arrived from the south yesterday with 14 horses, some of which are fast ones. He was delayed by the flood at Grand Forks for five days, and the horses were on the car 12 days. Owing to quarantine regulations he was forced to leave two thoroughbred cows which he was bringing up for Mr. Atkin, at the time.—Express.

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